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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 2, 2005, please amend the application as follows. Submitted with this Amendment and Response is a Petition for Extension of Time to extend the period for response two months, to and including November 2, 2005. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$450.00, the required fee for a large entity to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.

It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.

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